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IN THE IMPORTANT STATE ASSENBLY ELECTIONS IN UTTAR PRADESH. PRIME MINISTER GANDHI'S RULING CONGRESS PARTY HAS TAKEN LAW OF THE 1378 SEATS SO FAR DECIDED. IF THIS TREND HOLDS UP REMAINING 55 SEATS, CONGRESS WILL FALL JUST SHORT OF A MAJORITY AS IT DID IN THE LAST STATE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS THERE IN 1969.

THE RESULTS IN UTTAR PRABESH--INDIA'S MOST POPULOUS "TATE--WERE EXPECTED TO BE A GOOD INDICATION OF JUST HOW FAR POPULARITY OF MRS. GANDHI AND HER PARTY HAVE FALLEN SINCE IT SWEPT TO VICTORY ON THE "INDIRA HAVE" IN 1973 AND 1972. MUSUER APPEARS TO BE THAT THE INDIFA WAVE IS OVER , AND THE BUCH

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